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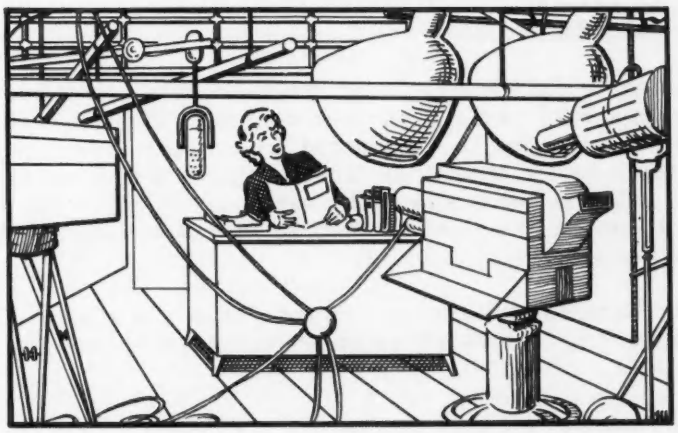
WORLD OF BOOKS

A report of a 13-week library series over WRGB,
part of TV SCHOOLTIME, sponsored by
Mohawk-Hudson Council on Educational Television

Last August the State Library was asked to participate in a new program, TV SCHOOLTIME, sponsored by the Mohawk-Hudson Council on Educational Television. This invitation had been prefaced by plans laid by a Temporary Committee of which Dr. Charles F. Gosnell was a member, and by a conference on May 22, 1953 of representatives of interested educational and cultural organizations in the WRGB area at which L. Marion Moshier was elected to the Board of Governors to represent libraries. Miss Moshier was later appointed secretary to the group.

Believing that the opportunity should be utilized to awaken interest in books and reading through the powerful medium of television, Miss Moshier asked Florence Boochever, of the Book Information Section, to serve with her as coordinator of a library series. Libraries of the WRGB area were contacted and those ready to assume the responsibility for putting on programs (at short notice!) were: Albany Public Library, Canajoharie Library and Art Gallery, New York State Library, Department of Librarianship at New York State College for Teachers, Saratoga Springs Public Library and the Schenectady County Public Library. It was agreed that each region would take over every fifth week.

A "kick-off" program at the WRGB studio on Monday, September 14, 1953 introduced to the public the new series, TV SCHOOLTIME, and the key plan-



ners of the Mohawk-Hudson Council on Educational Television. Angela McDermott, Program Producer, introduced coordinators of the various series that made up TV SCHOOLTIME and were indicated by title on a chart.

"World of Books" had been chosen as the name of the library series and ideas and suggestions for programs were discussed with Miss McDermott who supplied technical "know-how." Beginning on September 15 at 10:30 and continuing on succeeding Tuesdays for a 13-week period, programs were devoted to books for preschool children, an interview with an author, art and record collections, business and technical books, encyclopedias for home purchase, winter bouquets and flower arrangement, young people's and adult education work, books for men and for Christmas giving.

At the close of the series, a questionnaire sent to participating libraries brought these interesting reactions: All found participation worth while. All reported responses to programs, the largest number from Robert S. Burgess, State College for Teachers Department of Librarianship, with 21 by mail, three by phone. Time, techniques, script, people to take part were some of the problems. The need for more rehearsals was stressed by several libraries. More specific information on writing the script and on kinds of material that can be used successfully were cited as desirable. All but one person enjoyed doing the programs. Previous public appearances, such as on TV and radio, helped, according to three participants; one said giving book talks made for "stagey" performance; one, that previous experience in other fields did not help.

Observations by viewers of the "World of Books" series that might be helpful in the future were: Books with attractive jackets showed up well, but it was frustrating to try to read titles on older books without covers. Mention of books without showing them was not pleasing. Books should be mentioned on every library program and if possible, some kind of follow-up employed, as a list to be sent for. People on programs should face the screen -- "cheat", in theatrical terminology, even when talking to others. Vivacity, sincerity, "authority" count for more than good looks in educational programs. Interest and enthusiasm carry over. Reading from the script or a book detracts from viewer interest unless it is just a brief passage that is being read and this, too, with an eye to the audience watching.

All participants in the "World of Books" series answered "Yes" to the query, "Would you take part in another series?" To the last item on the questionnaire, "Would you be interested in a brief workshop on simple rudiments?" there was a unanimous "Yes." "Now that we've made all the mistakes we'd like to learn the right way," added one. The Library Extension Division plans a one-day workshop in the near future. Announcement will be made.

The Library Extension Division congratulates and thanks all who participated. Comments from "viewers" or suggestions for future programs are welcomed.

Recent Books

A SELECTION

Suggested by Florence Boochever, Book Information Section

Recommendations: *of first interest; Y for young people; P for prisons; R for reformatories; H for mental hospitals.

Nonfiction

Bainton, R.H. Hunted heretic; the life and death of Michael Servetus, 1511-1553. Beacon Press. $3.75.
In a scholarly study of persecution and martyrdom, the author of Here I stand draws a provocative parallel to the evidences of religious intolerance today. Illustrations. Chronology, notes, index. B or 92

YP Binns, Archie. Sea in the forest. Doubleday. $3.50.
RH The well-known novelist, a native of the Puget Sound region, enthusiastically describes the beauties of this huge waterway, mingling history and legend in a vivid picture of its present and past. Map on endpapers. Index. 979.77

YP Blair, Clay, jr. The atomic submarine and Admiral Rickover. Holt. $3.50.
R Straightforward, security-cleared account of the building of the world's first nuclear-powered submarine, "Nautilus," and the engineering genius of the man who, as head of a special task force, made the project possible. Photographs. Index. 623.82

YP *Bryant, Mrs A.F. Religion for the hardheaded. Dodd. $2.
RH In dialog form, a Believer, Hardhead, Agnostic and Skeptic argue about "the minimum essentials of a workable Christian philosophy." Notes. 239

YP Churchill, W.L.S. Stemming the tide; speeches 1951 and 1952.
RH Houghton. $5.
Fifty-two significant speeches made by Britain's Prime Minister after his return to office. 942

*Davies, A.P. The urge to persecute. Beacon Press. $2.75.
Forthright, thought-provoking examination of the historical and psychological factors that are contributing to the present climate of fear, pointing out that our real issue is "between Communism and democracy's moral values." Index. 323.4

YP Dugan, James. The great iron ship. Harper. $3.50.
RH An exciting, well-documented chronicle of the British wonder, "Great Eastern," the giant ship that laid the Atlantic cable and brought ill luck in her wake. Photographs. Index. Appeared in part in The New Yorker. 623.82

Eisenberg, Mrs. Helen, & Eisenberg, Larry. The family fun book. Association Press. $2.95.
A wealth of easily carried out suggestions for play within the family group is offered by a husband-wife team. Sources, index. 790

Freidel, F.B. Franklin D. Roosevelt: the ordeal. Little. $6.
Follows The apprenticeship, 1952, as second in the carefully documented, study planned as a six-volume series. Photographs. Notes, index. 973.91

YP Guideposts, Editors of. What prayer can do. Doubleday. $2.50.
RH This attractive square book with many full-page illustrations shows how prayer can be used effectively by people of all creeds. 248

PR Hall, A.H. The fundamentals of world peace. Philosophical Library. $3.
Brief, cogent presentation of the author's belief that only those national policies based on moral codes and individual freedom will build the machinery for peace. 172.4

Henkin, L.J. Five steps to word mastery. Holt. $4.95.
Unusually practical book on words and word groups, with good illustrations and exercises. Answers. 428.3

PR *Hepner, H.W. The best things in life. Forbes. $3.95.
H How to attain a personal philosophy enabling appreciation of "the timeless values in our daily experiences" is the theme of this wise and meaningful book by a professor of psychology at Syracuse University. References. 174

Heron, A.R. No sale, no job; the economics of American prosperity. Harper. $3.
An expert in industrial relations explains in simple terms the need for recognition by both management and labor of the importance of sales as a basis of employment and economic freedom. Footnote references, index. 658.01

YP *Hunt, John. The conquest of Everest. Dutton. $6.
RH This thrilling "tale of sustained and tenacious endeavor" describes in detail the preparations and the ascent, paying full credit to previous expeditions and to the selfless teamwork of the men who made the venture possible. Maps, drawings, photographs, some in color. Appendixes, glossary, index. 915.42

Hurok, Solomon. S. Hurok presents; a memoir of the dance world. Hermitage House. $4.50.
Continues the vivid, entertaining memoirs by the author of Impresario, 1946, reviewing his experiences of the past three and a half decades with famous personalities and organizations connected with the ballet and the dance. Photographs. Index. 792.8

Ickes, H.L. The secret diary of Harold L. Ickes; the first thousand days, 1933-1936. Simon & Schuster. $6.
The first volume in a series which will cover Franklin D. Roosevelt's administration is a unique, official and personal record by the strong, honest, opinionated late Secretary of the Interior. Index. 973.91

YP *Large, J.A. Think on these things. Harper. $1.75.
RH This succinct, understanding little book by the rector of the Church

of the Heavenly Rest, New York City, discusses the common tendency to "care too much for the wrong things" and suggests practical ways to acquire a new sense of Christian values. 241

YP RH *Leiper, Maria, & Simon, H.W. A treasury of hymns; the best-loved hymns, carols, anthems, children's hymns, and gospel songs. Simon & Schuster. $6.
Representative collection of nearly 300 favorite hymns in a "manageable" quarto with attractive decorations in color and historical notes. Complete indexes. 783

YP RH *Link, A.S. Woodrow Wilson and the progressive era, 1910-1917. (The New American Nation ser.). Harper. $5.
A readable, unbiased study of the events that led to President Wilson's election and of his role in domestic and world affairs. Cartoons, photographs. Sources, index. 973.91

YP RH *Lynip, Mrs R.G. Great ideas of the Bible outlined for moderns. v.1. Harper. $2.75.
Arranged by themes related to current needs, scripture passages clearly "interpret religious truth to those who are being trained in the scientific approach to life." List of selections from the Moffatt Bible. v.2. in preparation. 220.7

McComb, W.H. The businessman must save himself. Harper. $1.75.
In a practical discussion of the factors that cause depressions, the author appeals for greater moral integrity in organized business and suggests positive programs for better employer-worker relations. 380.18

*McLeod, L.S. Mental health in the home. Bookman. $3.50.
The dean of the Graduate Division, University of Tulsa, presents some fundamentals of child guidance, writing from long experience and deep knowledge of wholesome personal adjustments and happy family relationships. Further reading, appendix, index. 131.3

*Mager, N.H. & Yarmon, Morton. Put your money to work for you. Harper. $4.
Clear, comprehensive survey of investment fields for the average earner, including life insurance, stocks and bonds, securities, real estate, business. Charts, graphs, tables. Index. 332.67
A lifetime investment program; income, profits, safety, by T.F. Willmore (Harper. $2.75. 332.67) offers the amateur and professional a practical, long-term, diversified plan that can safely yield a profit of eight per cent. Tables, graphs. Appendix, index.

Martin, Lawrence, & Martin, Sylvia. The standard guide to Mexico and the Caribbean. Funk. $4.95.
Complete, detailed survey of opportunities for travel and recreation in the sun countries by an experienced, zestful team. Currency exchange chart. 917.2

PR H The sudden view; a Mexican journey, by Mrs Sybille Bedford (Harper. $3.75. 917.2) gives an Englishwoman's delightfully individual impressions of Mexico, enlivened with legend, history, conversation and witty comment on people and customs. Maps.

Meadows, Denis. Obedient men. Appleton-Century-Crofts. $3.50.
A lively, well-written account of ten years of Jesuit life by an Englishman who left the order but who looks back on his training and teachers with affection and respect. 271.5

YP *Montagu, Ewen. The man who never was. Lippincott. $2.75.
R How a British Intelligence officer laid ingenious plans for "Operation Mincemeat" to mislead the Germans about the invasion of Italy through Sicily during World War II is told in a swiftly moving, true narrative. Map, photographs. Appendixes. 940.54

Nathan, G.J. The theatre in the fifties. Knopf. $4.50.
Wry, perspicacious comment on theatrical performers and performances by the knowing and well-known dramatic critic. Index. 792

O'Brien, J.A., ed. The vanishing Irish; the enigma of the modern world. McGraw-Hill. $4.
Concern for Ireland's diminishing population has dictated interesting expressions of opinion from 16 scholars and writers. Map, charts, tables. Index. 312.1

P O'Daly, Mrs E.C. Dear Parents: Oceana Pub. $2.50.
A school principal who is also a mother, in an informal, common-sense open letter, explains the need for closer parent-teacher understanding and the influence of home and school in child development. 372

YP *Padover, S.K. The living U.S. Constitution. Praeger. $2.50.
RH The Dean of the School of Politics at the New School for Social Research has prepared this handy little book containing the story, background and text of the Constitution and Supreme Court decisions affecting it. Portraits of the signers. Chronology, indexed guide. 342.72

YP Pape, Richard. Boldness be my friend. Houghton. $3.50.
R In an amazing record of courage and endurance, an RAF navigator, shot down over Germany in 1941, tells of incredible hardships in prison camps, three unsuccessful attempts to escape and final repatriation in 1944. Maps on endpapers, photographs. 940.54

YP *Pettersson, Hans. Westward ho with the Albatross. Dutton. $4.
RH Interesting report by the leader of the Swedish Deep-Sea Expedition of important discoveries and delightful experiences on a 15-months' voyage through the Atlantic, Pacific and Indian oceans. Map, diagrams, photographs. 508.3

PR Pratt, Fletcher. Stanton: Lincoln's Secretary of War. Norton. $5.95.
H "Mr. Pratt's biography will not end the Stanton controversy, but it may restore him to his place as 'the great Secretary'". David C. Mearns in New York Herald Tribune Book Review, Oct. 4, 1953, p. 5.
Maps, portrait. Index. 973.7

Rose, Ernestine. The public library in American life. Columbia Univ. Press. $3.25.
Informed, vital survey of the background and present-day functions of the public library, especially valuable for the layman and prospective librarian. Appendixes, index. 027.4

Singer, K.D. The men in the Trojan horse. Beacon Press. $3.50.
An arresting, well-documented volume by a newspaperman, writer and spy catcher who seeks new perspective on "the phenomenon of treason," analyzing leading disciples of subversion and betrayal and the reasons for their behavior. Index. 355.34

Sitwell, Edith. Gardeners & astronomers. Vanguard. $2.75.
Richly imaginative, new poems by the distinguished artist. 821

YH Sothern, E.H. Julia Marlowe's story; ed. by Fairfax Downey. Rinehart. $3.50.
Filled with entertaining anecdotes, this "autobiography of a great actress, written by her husband and co-star as she told it to him" is a record of industry and devotion to the high purpose of her art. B or 92

PR Stamm, F.K. One fine hour. Harper. $2.50.
H A well-known minister and radio speaker presents Jesus not as a visionary but as a realist, with contemporary relevance. Notes. 232

YP Tazieff, Haroun. Craters of fire; tr. from the French by Eithne Wil-
R kins. Harper. $3.
In an informal, compelling record, the author of Caves of adventure describes his hazardous explorations of many active and quiescent volcanoes and discusses the famous eruptions of history. Maps, photographs. Appendixes. 551.21

Tolboldt, W.K. & Purvis, J.A., eds. Motor Service's new automotive encyclopedia. Goodheart-Willcox. $7.95.
"Complete course in automotive mechanics with special emphasis on fundamental principles, trouble shooting." (Subtitle) Copiously illustrated with photographs and drawings. Index. R629.2

Turner, E.S. The shocking history of advertising! Dutton. $4.50.
With a wealth of amusing examples, this brilliant, thought-provoking study of commercial advertising in the United States and Britain mirrors the social scene from the 17th to the present century. Illustrations. Index. 659.1

YP *Warren, C.E.T. & Benson, James. The midget raiders. Sloane. $4.50.
R Stirring, firsthand account of the operations of a little-known Royal Navy service in World War II, describing the dangerous missions of two-men torpedoes and three- or four-men submarines. Map on endpapers, photographs. Appendixes, glossary, index. 940.54

*Washburne, C.W. The world's good; education for world-mindedness. Day. $4.
Using the accomplishments of the United Nations as concrete examples, a prominent exponent of progressive education offers constructive suggestions for helping children and youth grow up in a world society of peaceful cooperation. Appendixes, index. 370

YP *White, E.B. The second tree from the corner. Harper. $3.
RH A selection of prose and verse evidencing originality and fine literary style. Most of the pieces have appeared in The New Yorker. 818.5

Fiction

YP *Brick, John. The King's Rangers. Doubleday. $3.75.
R The Tory Rangers and their lost cause take on new life in a compelling, realistic narrative of Indian massacre and romance in New York State at the beginning of the Revolution.

Burt, Nathaniel. Scotland's burning. Little. $3.50.
As, with sensitivity and restraint, this finely written novel depicts a delicate, introspective boy adjusting to a Pennsylvania prep school, the adult world is foreshadowed in his choice of companions and the climax of the book.

YP Ellsberg, Edward. Mid watch. Dodd. $3.
R Victor Cushing, young naval engineer, torn between concern for his wife and the winning of an Excellency rating for the "U.S.S. Manhattan," becomes the center of a court-martial trial in a gripping, realistic masculine story.

Hartog, Jan de. The little ark. Harper. $2.75.
How the Niewerland Parson's adopted children and their animal pets are rescued from the church tower during the 1953 Holland floods is the substance of an unusual brief novel.

YP *Kerr, Geoffrey. Under the influence. Lippincott. $3.50.
R The hilarious misadventures and romance of an unassuming London bank cashier, as related by the chief persons affected by his occasional gift of mind reading brought on by getting "tight."

Y Noble, Hollister. One way to Eldorado. Doubleday. $3.50.
In a virile, swiftly paced novel of suspense and railroad lore, a Great Western foreman tells of tense weeks in the High Sierras, coping with blizzards, avalanches, a train robbery and people in love.

YP Rennie, Mrs Y.F. The Blue Chip. Harper. $3.50.
R Thomas Packer tells this flavorsome tale of copper mining in 19th century Arizona when he was a boy and his engineer-father, like the coterie of men about him, was infected with prospecting fever.

*Terrot, Charles. The angel who pawned her harp. Dutton. $3.
Enchanting fantasy about a beautiful angel who finances a London holiday by pawning her harp and incidentally straightens out several lives.

Thompson, Morton. Not as a stranger. Scribner. $4.75.
The clinical details in this lengthy chronicle of a doctor dedicated to his profession from early childhood detract from readability, but the sincerity and fidelity of the portrayal make it powerful and memorable.

*Wibberley, Leonard. Mrs. Searwood's secret weapon. Little. $3.50.
When, at her domineering daughter's insistence, motherly Mrs. Searwood goes to Lower Pupton to escape London air raids, she finds herself hobnobbing with spirits, making friends with a bachelor parson and mixed up in devious war affairs, all entertainingly, neatly detailed.

Mysteries and Science Fiction

YPR Brown, Fredric. The lights in the sky are stars. Dutton. $3.
PR Browne, D.G. Too many cousins. Macmillan. $2.50.
PR Garve, Andrew, pseud. The Cuckoo Line affair. Harper. $2.50.
YPR Lockridge, Mrs F.L.D. & Richard. Curtain for a jester. Lippincott. $2.50.
PR Mason, Howard. The red bishop. Mill. $2.75.
PR Stout, Rex. The golden spiders. Viking. $2.50.
YPR Sturgeon, Theodore. More than human. Farrar. $2.

Do not overlook:

Catton, Bruce. A stillness at Appomattox. Doubleday. $5. 973.74
Crosby, Bing. Call me lucky. Simon & Schuster. $3.50. B or 92
Dahl, B.M. Homecoming. Dutton. $3.
Davis, K.S. River on the rampage. Doubleday. $3. 627.1
Fortune (periodical) Why do people buy? McGraw-Hill. $3.50. 658.8
Gallup, D.C., ed. The flowers of friendship; letters written to Gertrude Stein. Knopf. $5. B or 92
Hart, A.G. Defense and the dollar. Twentieth Century Fund. $2. 332.4
Henderson, Daniel. The hidden coasts; a biography of Admiral Charles Wilkes. Sloane. $5. B or 92
Holbrook, S.H. The age of the moguls. Doubleday. $5. B or 92
Jones, Ernest. The life and work of Sigmund Freud, v.1. Basic Bks. $6.75. B or 92
Komarovsky, Mirra. Women in the modern world. Little. $4. 376
Komroff, Manuel. Big city, little boy. Wyn. $2.50. 818.5
Kouwenhoven, J.A. The Columbia historical portrait of New York. Doubleday. $21. 974.71
LaFarge, Christopher. Beauty for ashes. Coward-McCann. $4. 811.5
Lancaster, Bruce. Blind journey. Little. $3.95.
McCloy, J.J. The challenge to American foreign policy. Harvard Univ. Press. $2. 327.73
MacNeice, Louis. Ten burnt offerings. Oxford Univ. Press. $2.50. 821.91
Malraux, Andre. The voices of silence. Doubleday. $25. 709
Mitchell, Carleton. Beyond horizons. Norton. $3.95. 910.45
Morison, S.E. History of United States naval operations in World War II; v.8, New Guinea and the Marianas. Little. $6. 940.54
Nathan, Robert. The train in the meadow. Knopf. $2.75.
Pough, F.H. A field guide to rocks and minerals. Houghton. $3.75. 552
Robinson, E.A. Tilbury Town; selected poems. Macmillan. $3.50. 811.5
Rounds, Frank, jr. A window on Red Square. Houghton. $3. 914.7
Russell, B.R. 3d earl. The impact of science on society. Simon. $3. 504
Simpson, Colin. Adam in ochre; inside aboriginal Australia. Praeger. $5. 572.9
Sitwell, Sir Osbert. Collected stories. Harper. $5.
Skeaping, J.R. The big tree of Mexico. Indiana Univ. Press. $3.75. 917.2
Tomlinson, H.M. A mingled yarn. Bobbs-Merrill. $3.50. 828.91
Treece, Henry. The dark island. Random House. $3.
Troyat, Henri. The mountain. Simon & Schuster. $2.50.
Underhill, R.M. Red man's America. Univ. of Chicago Press. $5.50. 970.1
Ussher, Arland. Three great Irishmen: Shaw, Yeats, Joyce. Devin-Adair. $3. 820.9
Vidor, K.W. A tree is a tree. Harcourt. $3.95. B or 92
Villiers, A.J. The way of a ship. Scribner. $6.50. 623.8
Williams, B.A. The unconquered. Houghton. $5.
Zukor, Adolph, & Kramer, Dale. The public is never wrong. Putnam. $4. B or 92

Free and Inexpensive
MATERIAL

Listed by Mary S. Lindsey, Reference Section

A Miscellany

Book of successful fireplaces and how to build them. 15th ed. The Donley Brothers Co. 13900 Miles Ave., Cleveland 5, Ohio. 1952. 78p. 50¢.

Colin, Gerhard. Can we afford additional programs for national security? A statement of a special NPA project committee. Planning pamphlet no. 84. National Planning Association. 1606 New Hampshire Ave., N.W., Washington 9, D.C. Oct. 1953. 70p. $1.50.

Health needs and what to do about them. According to the Report of the President's Commission on the health needs of the nation "Building America's health". Committee for the Nation's Health, Inc. 2212 M St., N.W., Washington 7, D.C. 1953. 16p. 15¢.

Inflation; its causes, consequences, cures. A discussion guide book prepared for use of local American Assemblies. 2d ed. The American Assembly, Graduate School of Business. Columbia University. New York 27. 1952. 48p. free.

Katona, George and Lauterback, Albert. The people versus inflation; an education resource unit. 2 parts. Office of Public Information, Office of Price Stabilization, Washington 25, D.C. 1952. 36p. free to educators.

Mudaliar, Sir Arcot. World health problems. Including Barriers to world health by Dr. Brock Chisholm. International Conciliation no. 491. Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. 405 West 117th St., New York 27. May 1953. 227-266p. 15¢.

Rathbone, J.L. Tobacco, alcohol and narcotics. (Oxford life guidance pamphlets) Oxford Book Company, 222 4th Ave., New York 3. 1952. 72p. 50¢.

Standards of care for older people in institutions. National Committee on the Aging of the National Social Welfare Assembly, Inc. 345 East 46th St., New York 17. Section I - Suggested standards for homes for the aged and nursing homes. 1953. 112p. $1. Section II - Methods of establishing and maintaining standards in homes for the aged and nursing homes. 1953. 112p. $1.

Understanding the New York Stock Exchange. Rev. ed. New York Stock Exchange, 11 Wall St., New York 5. Nov. 1953. 49p. free.

UNDERSTANDING THE EAST

Kipling wrote the oft-quoted "Oh, East is East, and West is West, and never the twain shall meet," in 1889. Since then scientific discoveries have brought the concept of "one world." Sharing Chester Bowles' belief "that the history of our time will hereafter be written largely in Asia," the Book Information Section suggests these recent titles:

Nonfiction

Bar-David, Mrs M.L. My Promised Land. 1953. Putnam. $4.
The daughter of the founder of the Zionist Organization of Canada describes daily life in Israel. 915.69

Battistini, L.H. Introducing Asia. 1953. Day. $3.75.
Provides concise background for the contemporary scene in Asia. 950

Bowles, Chester. Ambassador's report. 1954. Harper. $4.
Wise, temperate description of "the underlying forces" which today influence Asian action and thinking. 954.09

Brown, W.N. The United States and India and Pakistan. 1953. Harvard Univ. Press. $4.50.
Important study by a lifelong student of the area. 954

Cousins, Norman. Who speaks for man? 1953. Macmillan. $3.50.
An arresting inquiry into civilization's goal. 940.5

Douglas, W.O. Behind the high Himalayas. 1952. Doubleday. $5.
Discerning comment on social, political and economic problems of Central Asia. 915.42

Forster, E.M. The hill of Devi. 1953. Harcourt. $4.
Letters from Dewas recapture a vanished world. 915.43

Ghose, S.N. The vermilion boat. 1953. Macmillan. $3.75.
Weaves ancient legends into a picture of modern India. 915.4

Horowitz, David. State in the making. 1953. Knopf. $4.50.
How the State of Israel was established, told by a participant. 956.94

Hurewitz, J.C. Middle East dilemmas. 1953. Harper. $3.75.
Objective, timely study, published for Council on Foreign Relations. 327.73

Hutheesing, G.P. The great peace. 1953. Harper. $3.50.
A "candid report on Red China" by Prime Minister Nehru's brother-in-law. 951

Izzeddin, N.M. The Arab world; past, present and future. 1953. Regnery. $6.50.
Comprehensive survey by an Arab woman scholar. 953

Kimche, Jon. Seven fallen pillars. 1953. Praeger. $4.50.
The Middle East, 1945-52, is the subject of this informed volume. 953

Leonowens, Mrs A.H.C. Siamese harem life. 1953. Dutton. $3.75.
First published in 1873, these charming sketches by the heroine of Anna and the king of Siam illuminate the past. 915.93

Murphy, Gardner. In the minds of men. 1953. Basic Bks. $4.50.
A UNESCO "study of human behavior and social tensions in India." 915.4

Roosevelt, Mrs E.R. India and the awakening East. 1953. Harper. $3.
Temperate, valuable report of a five-months' trip in 1952. 915.4

Samuel, Maurice. Level sunlight. 1953. Knopf. $4.
A lifelong Zionist interestingly evaluates the State of Israel. 956.94

Stark, Freya. The Freya Stark story. 1953. Coward-McCann. $6.75.
Condensation of Traveller's prelude, Beyond Euphrates and The coast of incense, dealing largely with the East. B or 92

Fiction

Bridge, Ann. The dark moment. 1952. Macmillan. $3.75.
Vivifies true incidents and customs as the new Turkey rises under Mustafa Ataturk.

Godden, Rumer. Kingfishers catch fire. 1953. Viking. $3.50.
Enchanting, poetic story of a young widow's attempts at reform in Kashmir.

Lin, Yu-t'ang. The vermilion gate. 1953. Day. $4.50.
Through two young people in love Chinese traditions are challenged in the 1930s.

Michener, J.A. The bridges at Toko-ri. 1953. Random House. $2.50.
Compelling short novel of the Korean War.

_____ Sayonara. 1954. Random House. $3.50.
A conventional American Major falls in love with a beautiful Japanese dancer.

Narayan, R.K. The financial expert. 1953. Michigan State College Press. $3.
An amusing, satiric characterization of a "wizard" of finance in southern India.

_____Grateful to life & death. 1953. Michigan State College Press. $3.
Thought-provoking narration by an Indian college teacher.

Sneider, V.J. A pail of oysters. 1953. Putnam. $3.50.
Striking, unusual novel of present-day Formosa.

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Copies of this list are available on request to: Book Information Section, Room 329E, New York State Library, Albany 1, New York.

GEORGE WASHINGTON'S AMERICA

This list has been planned for sixth-eighth grade readers by the staff of the Children's Department of the Mount Vernon Public Library to present a picture of the times through the lives of great men and women; edited for NYLA Section for Children's and Young People's Librarians by Ethna Sheehan, Queens Borough Public Library.

*Daugherty, James. Poor Richard. Viking. $3.50. If Washington was father of our country, Franklin was godfather and gave wit, wisdom and diplomacy to the cause.

Ellsberg, Edward. I've just begun to fight. Dodd. $2.75. John Paul Jones' brilliance and bravery helped the young country win its independence.

Fast, Howard. Haym Salomon. Messner. $2.75. Salomon worked behind the scenes supplying money to Washington's need with no wish for fame.

*Forbes, Esther. America's Paul Revere. Houghton. $2. Silversmith and patriot is re-created in brief, masterly prose and Lynd Ward's pictures of living beauty.

*Foster, Genevieve. George Washington's world. Scribner. $2.75. The story of Washington placed in its proper perspective to the history of America and events happening throughout the world at the same time.

Galt, Tom. Peter Zenger. Crowell. $3. The courageous fight for freedom of the press in 1735 paved the way for the War of Independence.

*Gronowicz, Antoni. Gallant General, Tadeusz Kosciuszko, Scribner. $2.50. A Pole made a lasting contribution not only in battle but also in his design of fortifications at West Point.

Hawthorne, Hildegarde. His country was the world. Longmans. $2.50. Thomas Paine refused all pay for the pamphlets that gave voice to man's reasons for discontent and stirred him to fight.

Hutchins, Frank. Washington and the Lafayettes. Longmans. $2.50. Some of Washington's difficulties as President are illuminated in this story of his helping Lafayette's son during the French Revolution.

*Judson, Clara Ingram. Thomas Jefferson. Wilcox. $3.50. President, author of the Declaration of Independence, and founder of the University of Virginia -- who can measure which was greatest?

*Vance, Marguerite. Martha, daughter of Virginia. Dutton. $2.50. Romantic yet historically accurate story of the first lady from her childhood until the day Washington takes her to his inauguration.

Yates, Elizabeth. Amos Fortune, free man. Aladdin. $2.50. Inspiring biography of a slave in New England of 1700s, with a passion for freedom and education that motivated his whole life.

(* Indicates the authors have written other distinguished books about the same period.)

A SELECTED LIST OF *Recent Accessions*

Prepared by

Evelyn E. Nelson, Reference and Jane P. Yawger, Order Sections

These titles of general interest, which the smaller library may not have purchased, can be borrowed from the New York State Library. Please use call numbers as indicated when requesting books.

BIOGRAPHY

Herskovits, M. J. Franz Boas; the science of man in the making. Scribner. 1953. 131p. (Twentieth century library) 572 Zb6h

Riesman, David. Thorstein Veblen, a critical interpretation. Scribner. 1953. 221p. (Twentieth century library) 330.1 V395Ar

CAPITALISM

Cairncross, A. K. Home and foreign investment, 1870-1913. Cambridge [Eng.] Univ. Press. 1953. 251p. 332.6 C136

Holbrook, S. H. Age of the moguls. Doubleday. 1953. 373p. (Mainstream of America series) 330.92 Ah

CIVILIZATION IN THE U. S.

Barzini, L. G. Americans are alone in the world. Random House. 1953. 209p. 917.3 B296

Curti, M. E., ed. American scholarship in the twentieth century. Harvard Univ. Press. 1953. 252p. (The Library of Congress series in American civilization) 001 C978

Gelber, L. M. American anarchy... H. Schuman. 1953. 212p. 917.3 G314

DUCK HUNTING

Connett, E. V. Duck decoys... Van Nostrand. 1953. 116p. 799.24841 C752

MacKenty, J. G. Duck hunting. A. S. Barnes. 1953. 206p. (The Sportsman's library) 799.24841 M155

FLOWERS & JEWELRY

Bradford, E. D. S. Four centuries of European jewellery. Philosophical Library. 1953. 226p. 739.27 B798

Conway, J. G. Treasury of flower arrangements. Knopf. 1953. 337p. 635.9663 qC767

GREAT BRITAIN, NORWAY & POLAND

Bennett, George, ed. Concept of Empire... London. A. and C. Black.

1953. 434p. (The British political tradition, book 6)
354.4201 B471

Douglas, D. S. (Wolff) Transitional economic systems. London. Routledge & K. Paul. 1953. 375p. (International library of sociology and social reconstruction) 330.9437 D733

Stagg, F. N. Heart of Norway. London. Allen & Unwin. 1953. 194p.
948.1 S779h

KOREA & JAPAN

Chŏng, In-sŏp, ed. and tr. Folk tales from Korea. N.Y. Grove Press. 1953. 257p. 398.21 C548

Price, Willard. Journey by junk. Day. 1953. 317p. 915.2 P94jo

OUR FOREIGN RELATIONS

Chamberlin, W. H. Beyond containment. H. Regnery Co. 1953. 406p.
327.730947 C443

Hughes, H. S. United States and Italy. Harvard Univ. Press. 1953. 256p. (American foreign policy library) 327.730945 H893

SOCIOLOGY

Ackoff, R. L. Design of social research. Univ. of Chicago Press. 1953. 420p. 307.2 A182

Cartwright, Dorwin, ed. Group dynamics, research and theory; edited by Dorwin Cartwright [and] Alvin Zander. Row, Peterson. 1953. 642p. 301.15 C329g

Mihanovich, C. S., ed. Social theorists. Bruce Pub. 1953. 521p.
301 M636

ON WOMEN

Beard, Mary (Ritter) Force of women in Japanese history. Washington. Public Affairs Press. 1953. 196p. 396.9 B368

Beaty, J. K. Lookout wife. Random House. 1953. 311p. 634.9618 B369

Dunbar, Janet. Early Victorian woman. London. Harrap. 1953. 192p.
396 D898

Mary Victoria, Sister. Nun in Red China. McGraw-Hill. 1953. 208p.
951.05 M393

MISCELLANEOUS

Braden, C.S. War, communism, and world religions. Harper. 1953. 281p. 291 B79w

Ellsworth, L. R. Halibut schooner. McKay. 1953. 241p. 639.2756 E47

Hutchinson, G. E. Itinerant ivory tower. Yale Univ. Press. 1953. 261p. 504 H976

Roth, C. B. How to sell your way to success. McGraw-Hill. 1953. 207p. 658.8 R84ho

Official Publications

OF NEW YORK STATE

Prepared by Ethel Lansing, Gift and Exchange Section

AGRICULTURE AND MARKETS, DEPT. OF. State aid for market facilities of regional market authorities, article 22-A. (1953) 4p. (Circular 736)

___ Bureau of food control. Report of analysis of samples of feeding stuffs collected in New York state from January 1, to May 31, 1953, inclusive. (1953) 68p. (Bulletin 385, November 1953)

BANKING DEPT. Report of the superintendent of banks; part 3 for the year ending December 31, 1952 relative to savings and loan associations, savings and loan bank of the state of New York and credit unions. (1953) 336p. (Legis. Doc. 1953 no. 22)

CIVIL DEFENSE COMMISSION. Change of title from emergency food supply service to emergency food distribution service. (1953) 1 sheet. (Bulletin for directors no. 65, December 22, 1953)

COMMERCE, DEPT. OF. Local planning and zoning; a manual of powers and procedures for citizens and governmental officials. (1953) 88p.

___ Bureau of aviation. Airport landing fees; a summary of the findings in a survey of the types and levels of landing fees in effect at airports in the United States, September 1952. (1953) 12p.

EDUCATION DEPT. Meeting the needs of girls through education; a selected bibliography to aid in the readjustment of high school education. (1953) 7p.

___ Regents rules on subversive activities. (1953) 19p. (University of the state of New York bulletin no. 1422, August 1953)

FIRE LAWS, TEMPORARY STATE COMMISSION. County mutual plans for workmen's compensation, November 1, 1953. (1953) Var.pag.

HEALTH, DEPT. OF. Would you rather not...get smallpox? (1953) Folder.

INSURANCE DEPT. The year for action--1954; an address delivered by Hon. Alfred J. Bohlinger, Superintendent of insurance, before annual meeting of American association of University teachers of insurance, at Hotel Statler, Washington, D.C., December 29, 1953. (1953) 13p. Mimeo.

LABOR, DEPT. OF. Division of employment. Few state vets seek GI jobless benefits. (Release, December 21, 1953)

LAW, DEPT. OF. Annual report of Nathaniel L. Goldstein, attorney general to the Senate and Assembly for the year 1952. (1953) 281p. (Legis Doc 1953 no. 80)

LAW REVISION COMMISSION. Act, recommendation and studies relating to the statute of frauds governing contracts not to be performed within a year or a lifetime. 1953. 50p. (Legis Doc 1953 no. 65 O)

___ Act, recommendation and study relating to application of the Cy Pres doctrine to prevent failure of a gift for charitable purposes to a donee which is non-existing or lacks capacity to take. 1953. 34p. (Legis Doc 1953 no. 65 S)

___ Act, recommendation and study relating to authentication of acknowledgments taken by notaries public. 1953. 53p. (Legis Doc 1953 no. 65 I)

___ Act, recommendation and study relating to irrevocable proxies. 1953. 30p. (Legis Doc 1953 no. 65 G)

___ Act, recommendation and study relating to provisions authorizing a person of sound mind to designate another person to act as his committee in the event of future incompetence. 1953. 29p. (Legis Doc 1953 no. 65 Q)

___ Act, recommendation and study relating to registration of trade marks. 1953. 128p. (Legis Doc 1953 no. 65 T)

NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM. Geology of the Utica quadrangle, New York by Marshall Kay, Ph. D., temporary geologist, with a chapter on the Silurian system by W. L. Grossman, Ph.D. 1953. 126p. (Bulletin 347, July 1953)

PALISADES INTERSTATE PARKWAY. Opening Palisades interstate parkway, November 30, 1953. (1953) 8p.

SCHOOL BUILDINGS, COMMISSION ON. Economy handbook; economies from A to Z in planning and building schools. (1953) 52p.

STATE, DEPT. OF. Manual for the use of the legislature...1953. 1953. 1400p.

STATE BUILDING CODE COMMISSION. Public-hearing draft, state building construction code applicable to one and two-family dwellings, December 28, 1953. (1953) 48p. Mimeo.

STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, Cornell university, Ithaca. Egg-grading and packing-room arrangement (by) Wendell Earle and Charles Ostrander. (1953) 7p. (Cornell extension bulletin 898, November 1953)

___ Income-tax returns suggestions for farmers, 1953 by V. B. Hart and M. Slade Kendrick. (1953) 32p. (Cornell extension bulletin 902, November 1953)

STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, Cornell university, Ithaca. List of publications, 1954. (1953) 36p. (Cornell extension bulletin 47)

___ Range-rearing chickens (by) L. M. Hurd. (1953) 16p. (Cornell extension bulletin 885, November 1953)

___ The stone-fruit virus diseases; a program of study at Cornell university by K. G. Parker, Department of plant pathology. (1953) 6p.

___ Department of agricultural economics. Agricultural outlook; 1954 New York economic handbook. 1953. 77p. Mimeo. (A.E. 935, December 1953-prepared by extension staff)

___ ___ Analysis of production work units from selective records, 1951, 11 counties, New York by William Peek. (1953) 17p. Mimeo. A. E. 937, November 1953)

STATE COLLEGE OF HOME ECONOMICS, Cornell university, Ithaca. Easy to make bread and rolls (by) Lola T. Dudgeon and Mildred Dunn. (1953) 15 p. (Cornell extension bulletin 888, October 1953)

___ Let your kitchen arrangement work for you (by) Mary Koll Heiner and Rose E. Steidl. (1953) 8p. (Cornell extension bulletin 814, reprinted November 1953)

STATE SCHOOL OF INDUSTRIAL AND LABOR RELATIONS, Cornell university, Ithaca. Government regulations of local union democracy by George Strauss and Don Willner. (1953) (Reprint series no. 18 from August 1953 issue of Labor law journal)

___ Interviewing for organizational research by William F. Whyte. (1953) (Reprint series no. 17, from Human organization, vol. 12, no. 2)

STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE, New Paltz. How to save time through effective school business administration, 1952; proceedings of New Paltz annual summer institute for school administrators. (1953) 95p.

___ Improving pupil transportation services, 1953; proceedings of New Paltz third annual summer institute for school personnel. (1953) 48p.

STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK. Opportunities for women in technical careers at the two-year institutes and community colleges. (1953) 8p.

TAXATION AND FINANCE. Annual report...part III, Bureau of motor vehicles, 1952. 1953. 89p. (Legis Doc 1953 no. 95)

UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK. Report of special committee of the Board of regents in the inquiry relative to subversive organizations, September 24, 1953. 1953. 12p.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BOARD. Statement of Hon. Mary Donlon, chairman, before the Moreland commission, December 16, 1953, New York city. (1953) 9p.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Activities in Libraries

Edited by I. Marie Gustafson and Marion H. Vedder

Library Extension

Albany County. The American Heritage Program of the Albany Public Library began its spring semester on January 20, when Group 1 started its new program on "Living Ideas in America." Group 2 is continuing its discussion of "This American People" and the Young Adult Group, under the direction of Ruth Cummings of the library staff, is exploring the topic "It's Your America." On January 18 at Harmanus Bleecker Library there was a special meeting to which all group leaders and members of discussion groups were invited. The EBF film "How to Conduct a Discussion" was shown and Elizabeth Ewell led a discussion on "Techniques of Good Leadership and Group Discussion."

Brooklyn. Brooklyn Public Library recently broke ground for a new building for Borough Park Branch and laid the cornerstone for building at Kings Highway Regional Branch.

Clinton County. The Chazy Public Library will have a file of vital statistics for the town of Chazy. The information is being compiled by the Friends of the Library, under the direction of Mrs. B. F. Sullivan. Girl Scouts meet one day a week in the newly-decorated upstairs room in the library. Mrs. Gordon Frazier and Katherine Seymour are instructing the group in storytelling techniques. The Chazy chapter of Friends of the Library has offered a prize of five dollars to the Chazy High School student writing the best book review during the year. --The Dannemora Free Library recently held a very successful food sale. The proceeds were used in the purchase of children's books. --Nineteen classes from local schools have visited the Plattsburgh Public Library on "get-acquainted" trips. For very young children, there is a story and record program and an orientation period for older classes. Fifty-five children attended the Plattsburgh Library's fifth annual Christmas Story Hour. This is the one story hour of the year when parents are permitted to attend part of the program. The Plattsburgh Press-Republican now carries a weekly column of book reviews and library news. A by-line and picture go with the column, which is written by Laura Ingalls.

Dutchess County. Harry Harkness Flagler, trustee of Millbrook Free Library, left a bequest of $1,500 to the library. --Mrs. Robert Drabble has resigned as librarian of the Hyde Park Free Library. Her successor is Mrs. John Porter. --Vassar College students made a door-to-door survey of the residents of Poughkeepsie, seeking to get the opinion of the community on the city's library services.

Jamaica, Queens. Lillian Pearce has been appointed acting chief librarian of the Queens Borough Public Library, succeeding Louis J. Bailey who retired December 31.

Jefferson County. The interior of the Crosby Public Library of Antwerp has been redecorated. --Mrs. Laura Maxon, librarian of the Brownville-Glen Park Library, reports enthusiastic response to the monthly film programs being sponsored by the local Civic Association. Plans include programs on "Wild Life," "Rehabilitation" and "Aeronautics."

Lewis County. Community film showings are being held in Osceola every two weeks under the auspices of the Congregational Church. Since there is no library in this community, film service is extended through the Flower Memorial Library, Watertown. Keen interest in the programs is evident from the fact that approximately 100 people attended the first of the film series.

Madison County. To celebrate Christmas and the opening of the Young People's and Children's Room in the Morrisville Village Library, the Board arranged a Story Hour on December 12. Girl Scouts, who had worked in the moving of books to this room, decorated for the holiday season. Grace Larkin, Morrisville Institute librarian, was storyteller. A gift of $10 has been received for new books.

Monroe County. In December the Rochester Public Library opened a new branch building to replace the Goodman Street Branch. The $115,000 structure is dedicated to and named for Darrell D. Sully whose gift made it possible. --In December, too, the Friends of the Rochester Public Library was organized with Dr. Arthur J. May, professor of history at the University of Rochester, as first president.

Nassau County. Friends of the Library are active in their support of the Levittown Public Library. They sponsored a second annual book sale in the library where over 1000 new books (mostly remainders) were sold at a net profit of $150. They have also established a file of all Levittown organizations and are maintaining this file with accurate, up-to-date information on these organizations as a community service. --Rabbi Samuel Epstein is the new president of the Farmingdale Friends of the Public Library. The group plans to aid in promoting a new library building. --Friends of the Floral Park Public Library meet every two weeks for a program of films, book reviews, talks. Funds from a card party made possible the purchase for the library of a record player, a film strip projector and film splicer.

New York. An exhibition which brings together more biographical material about George Gissing, late Victorian novelist, than has ever been assembled in one display, opened December 28 at The New York Public Library. Presented by the Library's Berg Collection of English and American Literature, the exhibition features material never before shown publicly -- manuscripts of the author's novels; letters to and from his friends and family, his critics and publishers; his daily diaries; and presentation copies of first editions of his books. -- Isabel Jackson, librarian of the Fordham Branch Library, has been appointed deputy supervisor of branches of The New York Public Library.

Niagara County. An open house in December marked the opening of the new home of the Sanborn-Pekin Free Library. The new library was made possible by the voters of Sanborn School District 8, when they decided to give the use of the one-room building to the library.

Onondaga County. Syracuse Public Library was invited to send in three-and-one-half minute scripts to be included on the Tuesday afternoon programs of WFBL for December. --Friends of Reading of Onondaga County this month presented a plaque to the Syracuse Public Library honoring Paul M. Paine, who was librarian from 1915-1942. In addition, this group is contributing nearly $300 to the Syracuse Public Library for beautifully illustrated books in his honor.

Ontario County. The Bristol Free Library, which was started 52 years ago, for the first time in its history has a permanent home in a one-room school building. When voters of the school district decided to close the school and centralize with the Bloomfield Central School, the school officials agreed to donate the school building, the play equipment and $950 in the treasury to the Bristol Free Library. Mrs. Harry R. Marble, present librarian, has been closely affiliated with this unique rural library since its organization -- as trustee and treasurer and as assistant librarian during the period when her two granddaughters, Mrs. Donald Hudson and Mrs. Henry Lay, served as librarians.

Orange County. A circulating collection of 21 appropriately framed reproductions of paintings is proving to be very popular at the Newburgh Free Library. The pictures circulate free of charge for a period of two months to adult borrowers.

Rensselaer County. Grafton Free Library announced a Forgiveness Fortnight in January when anyone with overdue books might return them with no fines or questions asked. --The Grafton Memorial Library Building Fund is nearing its goal. The latest contribution was the proceeds from selling Christmas trees.

St. Lawrence County. The Hammond Public Library has organized a special reading shelf for the local Parent-Teacher Association. In appreciation of this service the PTA has donated to the library two periodical subscriptions. The Knox Memorial Library at Russell has received an autographed and inscribed copy of KETTI SHALOM from the author, James Murdock. In presenting the book, Mr. Murdock, who attended the school in Russell, expressed appreciation for the privilege of obtaining books from the library in his youth. --The Ogdensburg Public Library was recently a scene of a gala tea to honor its former librarian, Mrs. Phyllis F. Clark, and the new librarian, Mrs. Marian Brickey. Approximately 150 attended the affair and had the opportunity to see the recent additions to the library. An attractive informal reading area has been created in the museum wing through the addition of new maple furniture and pale green Venetian blinds. New shelving has also been added in the children's section.

Suffolk County. At the annual meeting of the Suffolk County Library Association the following officers were elected: president, Charles F.

McDonald, Huntington Public Library; vice-president, Doris Young, Amityville Public Library; treasurer, Esther Keenan, Islip Public Library; corresponding secretary, Doris Bullard, Toaz Junior High School, Huntington; recording secretary, Margaret Connors, Riverhead Public Library. --Southold Free Library reports that Mrs. Alice B. Wells, librarian, was guest speaker at a recent meeting of the Southold Parent Teacher Association. Her topic was "The Public Library: Its Relation to the Home and the Citizen of Tomorrow".

Warren County. The Glens Falls Lions Club, interested in sight saving, has given upwards of $4,000 for relighting the children's and other rooms in the Crandall Free Library.

Washington County. At the December 8 meeting of the Cranville Rotary Club the library board and the librarian, Truman R. Temple, were guests. Wilfred L. Morin spoke on larger units of library service.

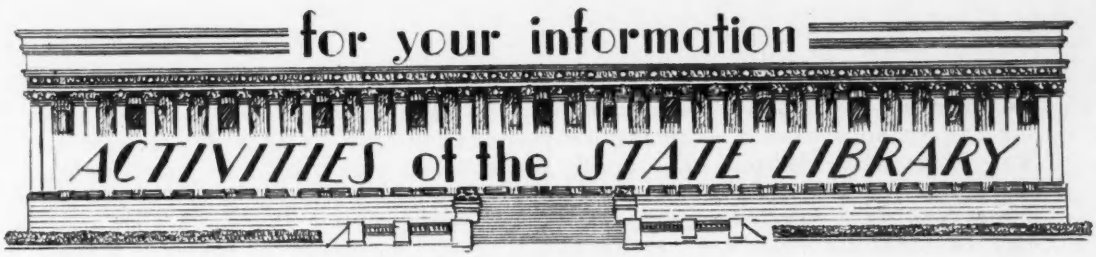
Westchester County. One of the finest collections of original Currier & Ives prints in the country is being exhibited at the Mount Vernon Public Library. The exhibit, the property of The Travelers Insurance Companies, has been on tour of the nation's outstanding museums. -- Mount Vernon Public Library had two special programs for children during Book Week. One hundred and thirty watched eagerly as lions, foxes, dogs and whales appeared by magic from Nicholas Mordvinoff's colored chalks. As Mr. Mordvinoff drew, Will Lipkind read from books by the author-artist team. The drawings made during the chalk talk are now on display in the Children's Room corridor. "Peter and the Wolf" was presented by the puppets of Charles Winkelstein's Party Players for the smaller children. --The Mount Vernon Public Library previews five films each month from the Film Council of America. Representatives of organizations are invited to participate. -- White Plains Public Library has received as a memorial gift a ceiling projector and 44 microfilm books to use with it.

MULTI-COUNTY ACTIVITIES

The Clinton-Essex County Library Aid Committee, studying the feasibility of library service for Clinton and Essex Counties has appointed the following chairmen of subcommittees:

1	Bookmobile	Mrs. Daniel Sterns
2	Budget and Legal	Judge Harry P. Kehoe
3	Centralization and Organization	Mrs. Allan Everest
4	Inter-Library Cooperation	Mrs. Lincoln Barnett
5	Personnel	Emma M. Walter
6	Publicity	Emma M. Walter

Wayne Byrne and W. Hustace Hubbard, as co-chairmen, are also ex-officio members of each subcommittee.



AND OF STATE-WIDE INTEREST

Edited by S. Gilbert Prentiss and Mason Tolman

Roland Clark Willcox: On January 6 Roland C. Willcox, Librarian of the Regional Library Service Center in Watertown since December 1952, died at his home in Westfield, Massachusetts. He was a graduate of Colgate University and Columbia University School of Library Service. Before joining the Watertown staff Mr. Willcox was Librarian of the Westfield Athenaeum at Westfield, Massachusetts and had held positions in the New York Public Library and the Springfield, Massachusetts, Public Library. In addition to active participation in several professional library organizations, he had a wide variety of interests which included flying and membership in the Civil Air Patrol, dramatics, public relations and many community service activities. He served for three years with the Air Force and Army Ground Forces. While he was at Watertown he developed plans and instituted programs which will add much to the effectiveness of the Regional Library Service Center. We wish we could have found the words to make this factual note say how we felt about Roland Willcox. We liked him. He was a good person to know -- either briefly or well.

Annual Report Deadline Extended: Because of a delay in receiving the Annual Report Forms from the printers many of the report forms will come to the hands of the librarians later than was anticipated. In order not to work a hardship on the library staffs it is announced that the date the forms are due back in the Library Extension Division is February 15, 1954 instead of February 1, 1954 as previously announced.

Addresses Simmons Students: On January 13 L. Marion Moshier, Director of the Library Extension Division, spoke to the Simmons Library School on adult services. Miss Moshier also conferred with Mrs. V. Genevieve Galick, Director of the Massachusetts Division of Library Extension, on regional library developments in Massachusetts.

Regional Librarian Appointed: Edward Martin Heiliger has been appointed Acting Librarian of the Regional Library Service Center at Watertown. Mr. Heiliger has been since 1950 Director of the Benjamin Franklin Library in Mexico and previously has served as Chief of program management for the U.S. overseas libraries; Director-Adviser of the Central Library, University of Chile; Director of the American Library of Nicaragua and on the staffs of the Wayne University and Detroit Public Libraries. He has taught at Wayne University, the University of Chile and the National University of Mexico. His library training was obtained at the University of Denver and he holds a Master of Arts degree from the University of Denver.

Geneseo Offers Library Course in Buffalo: The State University Teachers College at Geneseo has announced that it is offering for the first time in the Buffalo area a graduate extra-mural course in Library Education. Dr. C. Elta Van Norman will teach the course, which will be on "Reading Guidance for Children". Classes will be held in the Buffalo Public Library and will begin Wednesday evening, February 3. Complete information may be obtained from Mrs. Alice Damon Rider, Director of Library Education, State University Teachers College, Geneseo, New York.

On Notable Books Committee: Florence Boochever, head, Book Information Section, State Library, is one of eight librarians in the country serving on the ALA Notable Books Committee for 1953 under the chairmanship of Mary E. Dollard, of the Cleveland Public Library. Watch for the list in the next issue.

Exhibit of Murphy Paintings: A notable collection of paintings by John Francis Murphy, famous American landscape painter, has been loaned to the State Library by Dr. Emerson Kelly of Albany, and is now on display in the Rotunda. Murphy's palette, brushes, a "fake" Murphy painted by an impostor, numerous drawings, certificates of prizes, photographs, letters and other Murphy items are displayed. Murphy was born in Oswego, New York, in 1853 and until he died in 1921 won many honors for his work.

North Country Welcomes Heritage Project: Approximately 160 people have registered as members of American Heritage discussion groups in the region. Center staff members visited the groups at Lowville, Canton and West Leyden and were pleased to observe firsthand the enthusiasm of all participants. One leader stated that the American Heritage discussion group was "the best thing that ever happened to this community." A clinic session for leaders and librarians engaged in the Project was held in Watertown on January 9, 1954.

New Quarters for Service Center: Early in April, 1954 the Watertown Regional Library Service Center expects to move to new quarters at 1050 Arsenal Street, Watertown. The building, now under construction, will be leased by the State for this purpose.

1954 Trustee Awards: Nominations for the 1954 citations of the two outstanding library trustees of the nation must be mailed to ALA Headquarters not later than March 15, 1954. Recommendations must be accompanied by a full record of the candidate's achievements, and may be submitted by any library board or any individual library trustee. Equal consideration is given to trustees of both large and small libraries.

Opportunity to Aid Scholarships: To June Richardson Donnelly, former Director of the Library School at Simmons College, as a living memorial, a fund in her name is being raised at Simmons Library School. This fund is to be used at first as a loan fund for students interested in library training. Later, it can be changed to a scholarship fund, should the principal grow to an adequate size. Checks should be made payable to Simmons College, and sent to the School of Library Science, Simmons College, Boston 15, Mass.

"I LIKE TO THINK OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY AS an institution which is making an honest effort to build upon the solid foundation of past tradition a modern structure adaptable to the changing needs of today, and susceptible to change in the future."

From the Preface to The public library in American life, by Ernestine Rose; published by the Columbia University Press, $3.25, copyright 1954.